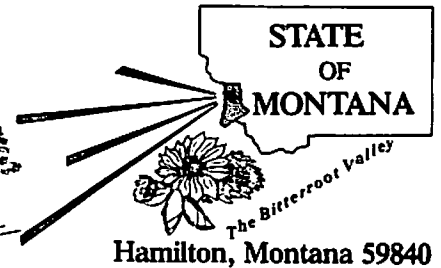
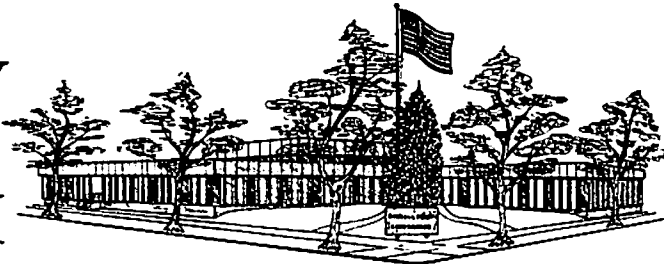


# COUNTY OF RAVALLI



Ravalli County Commissioners  
215 S. 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite A  
Hamilton, MT. 59840  
406-375-6500

September 30, 2008

Gregory H. Ames, Administrator  
Montana Department of Agriculture  
PO Box 200201  
Helena, MT 59620

## **RE: Waste Pesticide Disposal**

Dear Mr. Ames;

Thank you for your letter of September 23, 2008 in regard to the pesticide disposal. Please allow this letter to serve as a formal request for funding from the Montana Department of Agriculture in the amount of \$5,000 for a Ravalli County HazWaste Day event that took place on May 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>, 2008. The collection event was a huge success. In 16 hours we collected 3,600 gallons of used motor oil, 600 gallons of used antifreeze, 2,500 gallons of oil-based paint and solvents, and 50 drums of pesticides, poisons, chlorinated solvents and reactives. In fact, we collect so much hazardous waste, the contractors' cost exceeded their estimates by more than \$10,000.00. We ended up \$4,885.00 over budget due to the unexpected amount of pesticides we took in.

The \$5,000 from the Montana Department of Agriculture will be specifically utilized within our budget line item 2825 160 334086 (Environmental Health – Source Water Protection – DEQ Hazardous Waste Collection) to reimburse the county for a portion of the costs of this pesticide disposal collected at this HazWaste Day event. Please contact our Comptroller, Jana Exner, at 406-375-6525 or her email address of: in order to facilitate the transfer of funds.

Thanking you in advance,

  
Carlotta Grandstaff, Chairman